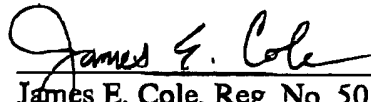


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and Component Assemblies :

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Claim 10. (Twice Amended) A do-it-yourself cigarette maker including a tobacco rod shaping mechanism comprising:

a funnel-shaped tobacco material infeed section;
a singling device for said tobacco material; and,
a tobacco rod compression mechanism, said singling device being a roller, partly
surrounded by a housing, with a plucking mechanism arranged at [the] a circumference of said
roller, [in particular a plucking roller with plucking pins, by means of which] said tobacco material
[is] being conveyed into said tobacco rod compression mechanism, wherein a wall section is pivot-
mounted.

Claim 11. (Twice Amended) The do-it-yourself cigarette maker including tobacco rod shaping mechanism as set forth in claim 10, wherein said funnel-shaped infeed surface comprises at least

one wall section oriented radially to an axis of said roller.

Claim 12. (Twice Amended) The do-it-yourself cigarette maker including tobacco rod shaping mechanism as set forth in claim 10, wherein said tobacco rod compression mechanism comprises a tobacco chamber, which can be opened [up] and closed by at least one traveling side, [the] said traveling side part of said chamber [preferably] being shifted by means of a cam from an opened position into a closed position, in overcoming a spring preload, and [the] an opening width of said chamber is preferably settable by means of a positioner.

Claim 13.(Twice Amended) The do-it-yourself cigarette maker including tobacco rod shaping mechanism as set forth in claim 10, wherein said wall sections, surrounding said tobacco rod to be shaped, are provided with anti-sticking coating.

Claim 14. (Twice Amended) The do-it-yourself cigarette maker including tobacco rod shaping mechanism as set forth in claim 10, wherein said roller is insertably removable.

Claim 15. (Twice Amended) The do-it-yourself cigarette maker including tobacco rod shaping mechanism as set forth in claim 10, wherein said plucking roller is made of a material resistant to corrosion.